

**INTRA-DISTRICT OPEN ENROLLMENT**

The Board of Education believes that 450 to 600 students is the optimum number for an elementary school to carry out its educational program.

The Board may allow students who reside permanently within District boundaries to request transfers to schools different from the attendance areas of the schools in which they live, where space is available, provided such transfers do not adversely affect the school's optimum enrollments or the District's plan to maintain ethnic and racial balance. Periodically, the board shall study the student racial and ethnic population of each school and, if necessary, adjust the number of transfer students. In extreme cases of high/low enrollment or racial and ethnic unbalance, the Board may adjust attendance boundaries.

The granting of all requests for transfers shall be determined by a random lottery. A "first come first served" system of selection is not permitted. In no case shall students be selected for transfer based on their academic or special-performance ability.

The Superintendent or designee shall specify a time period each year, based upon the then current academic calendar, during which the District will accept applications for open enrollment. He/she shall provide timely information to parents/guardians and the community regarding open enrollment procedures and program options. The random lottery for students wishing to transfer shall be held no later than the end of the first week of August.

**Transportation**

The District shall not provide transportation outside the school's attendance area. However, upon request, the Superintendent or designee may authorize transportation for students living outside the attendance area to and from a designated bus stop within the attendance area if space is available. Priority for such transportation shall be based on demonstrated financial need.

*Legal Reference:*

- EDUCATION CODE
- 35160.5 *District policies; rules and regulations*
- 35291 *Rules*
- 35351 *Assignment of students to particular schools*
- 48980 *Notice at beginning of term*
- COURT DECISIONS
- Crawford v. Board of Education (1976) 17 Cal.3d 280

Policy  
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Brea, California